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The Church of God Evangel



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CLEVELAND, TENN.



Mother's Day

J. H. WALKER, General Overseer

May we all pause to pay honor to her who, after Jesus Christ, is God's best gift to men—MOTHER. She shared her life with us when as yet our members were unformed. She walked into the valley of the shadow that we might have the light of life. She nestled us in her arms in the time and hour of pain, for her arms were our refuge and stronghold. She taught our baby feet to go and lifted us over the rough places; she was ever mindful of our constant need. She put the book under our arm and started us off for school, but best of all, she taught us of Jesus, the subject of the world's most wonderful love story—the Man who loved us all.

Perhaps your mother lives to bless your life. Maybe the silver crown her temples adorn, and it may be your turn soon to minister to her as the shades of life fade away. If you are blessed with a praying mother, thank God for her and show your appreciation sincerely. Join all the nations of earth this Mother's Day in wearing the red flower.

If perchance she has preceded you, praise God for the precious memory, for the one who cared for you—wear the white flower. But, every true woman knows that all the honor should not rest with her. All her purity, beauty, love, and faithfulness are at best but dim reflections of those rays of divine light, for she lays her honor at the feet of her Master, therefore, in honoring her our hearts are lifted into worship and praise of our mother's God.

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ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD IN CHATTANOOGA

The Church of God International Convention will convene in the Memorial Auditorium, Chattanooga, Tenn., October 1-6, inclusive.

The Bishops' Council will convene in the Community Hall in the same building, beginning Monday, Sept. 30, 8 a. m., continuing through Oct. 1.

Quite a number of invitations were received from several cities and members of the committee personally visited and made investigations at Cincinnati, Ohio; Louisville and Lexington, Kentucky; Atlanta, Georgia, and Chattanooga and Memphis, Tennessee. It was decided, however, that Chattanooga, with the new public address system, was our best proposition this time. As you know, Chattanooga is most centrally located for most of our people, and its auditorium is well situated for convenience to hotels, rooms, and the business section of city. The new public address system is evidently a great improvement over the old sets. I understand Mrs. Roosevelt has spoken twice at the auditorium in recent months and there were no complaints as to the reception, neither were there any when Mr. Kaltenborn, the news annalist, and Mr. Dale Carnegie each spoke there.

The management is looking forward to the greatest Assembly in the history of the Church, and cordially invites you to attend.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

NOTICES From the Field

There will be a home-coming at the Toonigh, Ga., church May 19. Service will begin at 9:30 a. m. and continue through the day. Bring baskets and help feed the people.—Robert Bell, pastor.

There will be a home-coming at Waco, Miss., Church of God the second Sunday in May. We will have a Mother's Day program and dinner spread. All ex-pastors are invited to be there.—C. H. Gardner, pastor.

There will be a home-coming at Brewstertown church Mother's Day, May 12. Everybody invited to come. There will be dinner on the ground.—F. M. Cochran, pastor.

There will be a home-coming and rally day at the Church of God in Jasper, Ala., Sunday, May 19. There will be all-day service with lunch served at the church.—W. E. Hodo, pastor, 2206 Euclid Ave., Jasper, Ala.

There will be a home-coming day at the Church of God at Moorhead, Miss., the third Sunday in May. Everybody is invited to come. Bring a well-filled basket and let's enjoy the blessings of the Lord.—C. W. Kendall, pastor.

The Pittsburg, Kan., district convention will convene at Weir, Kan., Church of God May 24-26, beginning 7:30 p. m.

the 24th.

The Rocky Hill, Miss., district convention will convene at Oak Ridge Church of God May 24-26, beginning 7:30 p. m., state overseer, will be in charge.—W. F. Sharpe, district overseer, Rt. 1, Union, Miss.

The district convention of the Church of God on the Murphy, Okla. district convenes May 17-19 at Murphy. Pastors, please be on hand with a good delegation. Make a special effort before going to have all quotas up one hundred per cent, also prepare a mission offering in advance for this occasion, let's put it over.—S. J. Wood, state overseer of Oklahoma and Kansas.

Oklahoma Sunday School and Y. P. E. convention dates are as follow: Perry district at Perry, May 12. All-day service; dinner on ground. A. E. Opsata, district superintendent.

Maud district will be at Seminole, May 19. All-day service, dinner on ground. W. C. Hill, district superintendent.

Ada district at Ravia, May 26. All-day service; dinner on ground. E. T. Curt-singer, district superintendent.

Murphy district, Moren Chapel School at the new church where Brother Gilliam is pastor. Sunday School interest in morning; Y. P. E. will have most of the evening for programs. Binger, Okla. has the Sunday School banner; Ravia, Okla. has the Y. P. E. banner.—C. H. Sharp, state Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent, Rt. 1, Seminole, Okla.

The Morristown, Tenn., district convention will convene at Morristown May 17-19. Brother Jernigan, state overseer, has charge.—I. H. Brabson, pastor.

The Asheville district Y.P.E. and Sunday School convention met Sunday, April 21, in the Hazelwood church, with Brother V. D. Combs in charge. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Special songs were enjoyed, also the messages by different pastors. It seemed that God was in the midst and gave each one the words to say. West Asheville church won the Sunday School banner and Canton the Y.P.E. banner.

Our next meeting will be at the Church of God in Hendersonville May 19, Brother J. H. McKenney, pastor. Everyone is urged to come. Pray for the meeting and all the churches on the district.—Paul Brooks, East Flat Rock, N. C.

The Toccoa district convention will convene at the Church of God at Toccoa, Ga. May 11, 12. All pastors and members come, let's be one hundred per cent on everything. Our state overseer, Brother Paulk, will be with us. Don't forget the mission offering.—G. S. Scott, district overseer.

The Church of God of Lakeland, Fla. will have home-coming May 19. All ex-pastors come. We are expecting to have a number of ministers from surrounding churches.—W. C. Byrd, pastor, 937 N. Ohio Ave., Lakeland, Fla.

J. B. Mathley, who is posing as a music teacher, is a fraud and the Churches of God are warned against him.—Rev. H. B. Honaker.

Completely Healed

BEAVER, W. Va.—I thank God for healing my body as I promised Him I would do some two weeks ago when I was in a serious condition with symptoms of cancer. I requested prayer by letter to several churches and different personal requests. I received anointed cloths, cards and letters, was anointed at different times, prayed earnestly myself and promised God I would do His will, and praise the Lord, He healed me! I want to serve Him always.—Mrs. Jesse Higginbotham.

Jesus Is Wonderful

NEWVILLE, Pa.—He has healed me recently of a terrible ailment that I had suffered with so long and, oh, how I praise Him! He healed our children and all of us one time, one right after another, and we give Him all the glory.—Mrs. P. R. Walker.

To Every Creature

BY FANNIE S. FOSHEE

GO ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," so says Jesus in Mark 16:15. Shall we, or shall we not, preach to all men the glorious truths of the gospel? If we are going to expect a reward from the One who uttered these words, then we must obey them, not partly but altogether.

It does not suffice us to preach to our congregations here in America, for only a small part of God's creation lives here. What are we going to do with the creatures whom God has made in South America, Central America, Mexico, Africa, China, India and Japan? Are they not a great part of God's creation? Do they not have a soul the same as we? Have they not a right to enjoy the same soul peace that has been so liberally given to us by the same One who uttered these words, "Go ye . . . "?

Do you remember how unhappy you were before Jesus saved you? Have you forgotten how you longed for something to satisfy your soul? Their souls are just as miserable and just as unhappy as yours was. Can we allow them to go on in their wretched state and make no effort to go to them? "All the world" is the harvest field and the creatures of every nation are included in Christ's commission. You and I, my Christian brother and sister, are the ones He told to go to them with this blessed news of salvation.

In Rev. 22:17 Jesus says, "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Who is to say "come"? The Spirit and bride (Church). The Holy Spirit is doing His part but He must have men to work through. The Church is to say "Come," and then the Spirit carries the message to the soul and thus souls are born again, but if man fails to bid them come, then the Spirit's work is hindered and souls go out to meet God unprepared, a constant reminder of man's failure to obey God's words. In Rom. 10:14, 15a we find, "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent?" Shall we, a part of the body of Christ (each of us), close our eyes to their need and try to justify ourselves? May God help us to see our duty and do it.

It is hard for us who live in a country with churches in every village to realize the actual need in the heathen lands, where there are no churches, no song books, no Bibles, no preachers. They are

for the most part taught to hate one another and they only serve their gods through fear. Their gods all are gods of hatred, therefore when Christ, a Savior who loves men, is taught to them, they can hardly believe their own ears. No wonder they stand and cry and with outstretched hands plead as the white teacher is leaving, begging him to stay and tell them more of the "good news." Very few can grasp the meaning of it at first. It's just too good to be true. But the good missionary lives a life of love and there before their eyes are the truths of God's words verified. Then they have courage to try for themselves this God of love and always it is the same story, "the half has never been told."

Have you a call to go to them? No? Then there is a work you can do. Jesus says, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest." If you are not called to go, you may find plenty to do here to help those who are called to go. We must either go ourselves or help send someone else, before we have obeyed the gospel.

Certainly we, who have not hesitated to accept freely the gift of God's only Son, His most prized possession, into our hearts, cannot be so thoughtless and, may I say selfish, as to try to measure another man's soul with meager dollars and cents! The sinner who himself has not felt the cleansing power of Jesus' blood might be excused for thinking of the cost of getting the gospel to them, the danger of death by disease, by wild animals or by the "creatures" themselves, but surely not we who know the worth of a soul and something of the damnation of those who die without God.

May God open our eyes and let us see the great need and then in the stillness of the night may He open our ears and let us hear the groans of the lost world, burdened by the yoke of sin. May we then remember that Jesus died the death on the cross to free men from this terrible yoke and that we are responsible to get this message to them, "all the world."

May God help us to pray more for the lost world and give more of our money toward this worthy cause this year, than we have ever done. The time to work is short, so very short, and the time when man must give an account of himself to God draws nearer with each closing year. All too soon we shall each stand before God to give an account of our stewardship. May we be able to hear His words commend us for our labors, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter

thou into the joy of thy Lord."

HAVE YOU FAILED?

*The gap you failed to fill lies open
Out there in the harvest field;
The souls He appointed you are dying
Because you will not yield.*

*Some day the crown He had for you
Will be given to somebody else,
Because you failed to do your duty;
Christ gave His all, can you do less?*

*Then what will you do at the judgment?
What answer will you give to Him,
For the days you've wasted in leisure,
And the souls you've failed to win?*

*Then on with thy armor,
Child of God, and be brave;
And out to the battle's front
The lost ones to save.*

*For soon will life's journey be ended,
Thy battles all will soon be o'er;
Then the victory will forever be ours
When we cross to the other shore.*

Miraculously Saved and Healed

GOULDTOWN, Sask., Can.—I thank and praise the Lord for saving my soul from sin. My desire is to keep on living for Him. He is a wonderful friend who never will leave us. I praise Him for His healing power. I was sick in bed for over two weeks this winter with rheumatic fever. One day I was prayed for and God answered prayer and I was healed! Praise His holy name! If we only trust and have faith in the Lord, He will answer us. One day after I was healed I took my Bible and it came open at Psalm 30:1-3 and there I found the following words: "I will extol thee, O Lord; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me. O Lord, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit." This gave me great joy down in my heart. Praise His holy name!—Ivar Roset (age 15).

Note: I visited this boy while he was sick and know from the testimony of those who were with him that he was in great pain. I also visited him since he was healed and know that his healing is a mighty miracle.—Harry B. Lane, his pastor.

Healed After Five Months' Illness

IAEGER, W. Va.—I praise and thank the Lord for His wonderful healing power. I was sick five months. I requested Brother Tygart, our district overseer, and Brother Dingess, our pastor, to pray for me and I was instantly healed, for which I praise Him. I want to give the Lord all the praise for all the things He does for me.—Miss Aline Phillips.

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Not Guilty

ONE of the queer things that we encounter these days is that there are so many kinds of religion and religious beliefs and most of them claiming to be doctrines direct from the Lord. And then there are a great many people who seem to be confident that they are being led by the Lord and their leadings differ from others who feel the same way. I am reminded of two ladies who were visiting an asylum and they decided between themselves that they would question one of the inmates. "And who are you, my good man?" asked one of the ladies. "Why I am Adolf Hitler," came the reply. "God told me I could be." "It's a lie," said the inmate in the next cell. "I never told him any such thing." One's idea of who and what they are may not be bad as long as they do not pull God in on their own imagination. It neither shows strength of mind nor character to try to blame every thing one does on the Lord, and yet we may be so consecrated to God that our every step will be guided by Him. We are told that the steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, but usually the man whose steps are ordered by the Lord doesn't have to tell others about it. His life displays that very fact.

A Good Report

THE good reports that are coming in from the various district conventions are enough to raise the spirits of any true and loyal Church of God member. States and districts that were one time considered a liability rather than an asset, and whose interests in missions, orphanage work, and other departments of the Church which required an outlay of finance, had never been awakened, are now enthusiastic and throwing themselves full fledged into the service of God to make every department of His Church go. In this issue of the Evangel we note particularly two reports from Arkansas, one from Forrest City, which states that \$100.00 comes in for missions, and one from Marked Tree reporting \$172.00 for missions. In addition to these are orphanage offerings. Knowing the distance that Arkansas has come, we are made to exclaim, Hurrah for Arkansas! If she continues to go as she has, and Jesus tarries, the future will certainly show great and rich success as a reward for the untiring labors of those who are working there. These reports, with others that are coming in from the various states, are very comforting and

consoling at this time of the year as we are now in Pentecost week. Along about this time of the year Jesus gave the great commission to go into all the world and preach the gospel, and again He said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me," and our mission work is certainly one of those ways in which the Church is proving a witness.

One of Them

SINCE the minister of the gospel is called to go into all the world and to all people, it becomes necessary that he become one of those to whom he is sent. It remains to be seen that one can go to another country and continually extol the merits of the country from which he came and give satisfactory service. This has been proven true in missionary fields. The answer to the great success of the Kluzits is perhaps given in Brother Tharp's letter in this week's Evangel, that Sister Kluzit looks upon the natives as her own people. I can remember when your Editor went as a missionary to the Bahamas in 1913. We had listened to the woeful tales of what one had to live on in those islands, but did not find it bad. Why? Because we adapted ourselves to the customs of the people. We ate pigeon peas and rice and liked it. We ate guava duff and liked it. We ate fish, and there was plenty of fish. We ate wilks, soldier crabs, conch souse, and anything else that the natives had. This certainly must have been Paul's thought when he said in 1 Cor. 9:22, "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some." In a personal letter to the Editor Brother Tharps says, "This is really a beautiful, mountainous country. Royal palmetto and coconut palms, bananas, mangoes, and guavas all grow wild," etc. In the call to a specific work God can make us so in love with our field of labor and those with whom we have to labor that our labor for Him will be pleasant.

Mother's Day

AGAIN we have come to the time of the year when a day has been set apart in memory of mother, and the day upon which to remember mother. Though thousands of people in this fair land will wear a red rose, there will be many who will wear white ones. I cannot help but think of our more than one hundred inmates in the boys' and girls' homes, who tomorrow, if they have any flowers to wear at all, will be wearing white ones. Many of these children do not even remember ever having seen their mother. They know nothing of a mother's love and care. They would give anything in the world to have a mother like other boys and girls. But it is true that we do not miss those things which are great and grand to us until they have departed. The Church of God has taken upon itself the task of being a mother to these wonderful, bright-eyed boys and girls. It is for us to show our appreciation of a mother's love by doing our utmost to provide for their comfort and happiness.

The Church of God Orphanage Committee has lately purchased a beautiful site on the highway between Cleveland and Chattanooga, upon which to construct a new boys' home. The old buildings are obsolete and outgrown, and the location undesirable, besides state laws in Tennessee demand a better housing for them. This is a most wonderful endeavor and is worthy of the support of every loyal Church of God member. Let us show our love to our mothers in rallying to the support of these who have no mother.

We should remember mother's love and respect her while she lives, and do all in our power to make her happy as long as she lives. This will prove our true love and respect for her.

—Chas. Clevan Christenburry.

CHURCH OF GOD SUNDAY SCHOOL, NORTH CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE



After leaving the auditorium and getting adjusted in our new church we have been working to increase the attendance of our Sunday School and Y. P. E. This you can tell by looking at both district and state banners. We have four hundred present here.

We appreciate the good work done for the North Cleveland church by our beloved pastor, Brother D. B. Yow, who is standing on the right. We have in this Sunday School our orphans and others whom we appreciate, such as Brothers T. L. McLain,

W. F. Bryant, T. S. Payne, and E. L. Simmons, who have been preaching in the Church for twenty-five years or longer. The persons holding the Y. P. E. banners are Russell Fowler, who was assistant superintendent of Y. P. E.; to his right Cordell Ellis, who was superintendent of Y. P. E. Over to the right of the picture holding the Sunday School banners, from left to right, are George Douglas, superintendent of Sunday School, Marshall Roberson and Ottis Hewett, assistants. To the right of the church can be seen the girls' orphanage home.—George Douglas.

Responsibility and Consolation of Mothers

"I am responsible, in a large measure, for the kind of men or women my children shall be."

"My children must realize me as a sincere, earnest and true believer in Christ."

"That I have fully surrendered my life to the Lord."

"I was always accustomed to being in the pew, at church, Sunday School, and prayer meeting, with my family."

"My children heard me or their father give thanks at each meal, and heard and saw me read the Holy Bible."

"Thank God, I'm glad my sons and daughters never saw me engage in card playing (bridge) or gamble."

"Indeed I'm glad to state my children never saw me smoke nor drink alcoholic beverages. For my body is the temple of

the Holy Ghost." See 1 Cor. 3:16, 17.

"That neither son nor daughter saw me in anger, for the Bible says: 'Sin not, and let not the sun go down on your wrath.' Read Eph. 4:26.

"I am glad to say that John, Mary, Susan, nor Bill, never heard me swear or use God's name in vain; neither did they learn that I was dragging other persons' characters in the mire by gossip." "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."

"Last, but not least, I have a wayward daughter and a boy out in sin. I am earnestly praying and am burdened that the heavy load will be lifted and Jesus will speak peace to their souls."

"I have a great responsibility resting upon my shoulders. I must be as Proverbs 31:10, a virtuous woman, for her price is above rubies. I must set an ex-

ample before the youth that will build for heaven and eternity, and in so doing I must keep clad in the robes of righteousness and purity by holding the blood-stained banner of Prince Immanuel high above the pleasures of this world. I must walk in the light of Jesus by keeping myself pure and unspotted from the world so that others may see the life of my soul radiating far out over sin's dark waves, pointing poor lost souls to the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. I must be true to God at any cost."

*A friend to guide our lives along,
A pal to right the tempted wrong;
There's no earthly friend, no none other
Like a virtuous loving MOTHER.*

REMEMBER MOTHER'S DAY,
MAY 12.

—Sent in by H. L. Motsinger.

Question Box

Question: What do the four beasts represent in the 19th chapter of Revelation, 4th verse? also the beast in the 3rd chapter of Jonah, 7th and 8th verses? Are they the same or not?—Mrs. E. D.

Answer: The mention of the four beasts is first found in Revelation 4:8. In both of these places the margin renders it living creatures. Most Bible scholars think that these beasts represent redeemed saints as they are both day and night ascribing praise, honor, and glory to God. The beast of the third chapter of Jonah referred to the domestic animals of the city of Nineveh which were required to fast the same as the people.

Question: Please explain 1 Cor. 14:27-36, especially the 34th and 35th verses.—Mrs. R. J.

Answer: To begin with, the church at Corinth was evidently in confusion regarding the gifts, therefore Paul takes three chapters, 12th, 13th, and 14th, of 1 Corinthians, to explain and unfold the mystery concerning them. It is explained that if any have the gift of tongues there should also be the gift of interpretation, and the operation of these gifts should be by two or by the most three, the same being true with the gift of prophecy. Verse 34 describes that the women are not to take a leading part or to exercise any authority over the men, but are to be in obedience. It was at that time a shame for them to be otherwise.

Question: Please explain the meaning of the twelve foundations of the wall of the city. Rev. 21:19.—F. W. Y.

Answer: "Twelve" is one of the numbers used in the divine plan. God's chosen people, Israel, were divided into twelve tribes, which emanated from the twelve patriarchs. Jesus chose twelve apostles. In the reclamation of Israel these are to sit on twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes. The city is built after the same plan or scheme, with twelve foundations and twelve gates, etc. It is a beautiful line well followed.

Question: Please explain Acts 9:7; 22:9. Is this a contradiction?—C. M.

Answer: No there is no contradiction existing in the scriptures mentioned. A contradiction has been imagined in these two and Acts 26:14, however, the three statements should be taken together. The men heard the "voice" as a sound (Greek, phone) but did not hear the "voice" as articulating the words "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?" etc.

20 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Victory For The Church

This is the headline and part of an article from the Evangel: *Supreme Court Reverses Decision in Bradley Case*. Tallahassee, May 3.—The state Supreme Court, in a decision handed down Saturday, affirms that there is no statute in Florida making it a felony for a parent to fail to provide medical attention for a child. The point was decided in the appeal of James Bradley of Suwannee County who was convicted in 1918 on an indictment charging that he failed to provide proper medical treatment after his minor daughter, Bertha, had been so severely burned that she died. The supreme court reversed the lower court, claiming that the statutes do not cover the case and that manslaughter also fails to cover it; the decision reading: "Nor can it be said that the allegations or proofs show that any culpable negligence of the father caused the killing of the child. Manifestly the death of the child was caused by the accidental burning in which the father had no part. The attention of a physician may or may not have prevented the burning from causing the death of the child, but the absence of medical attention did not cause the killing of the child, even if the failure or refusal of the father to provide medical attention was culpable negligence, within the intent of the statute."

This is certainly a victory for Florida as well as elsewhere. We are sure the laws of our country are good for us and will give us protection in almost every case if we can only get the information properly before the courts. This we are always able to do when we are given a chance. A few more of this kind of decisions by the supreme court will put a stop to our enemies who are prejudiced against us, trying to get up cases against us. We have been accused of being lawbreakers and a few more cases like this will surely convince the courts that we are lawabiding citizens and that the other fellows are the law-breakers.—R. P. Johnson.

I have just closed a revival at Selma, N. C. God surely blessed us. There were about sixteen saved and about eleven sanctified.—Walter Skutar.

I Walked In The Light

NOKOMIS, Fla.—I praise the Lord for full and free salvation. The Lord spoke peace to this soul of mine about four years ago and I walked in the light as it shined upon my pathway. Praise the Lord. When He saved me I united with the Church that Jesus purchased with His own blood. When He saved me, He healed my body. The doctors said I had cancer and I had gland trouble. I give Him all the praise for healing me. Bless His name. I haven't taken any medicine since I have been in this good way. If He can keep my soul, surely He can heal my body. Bless His name.

When I came here with salvation there wasn't anyone here who had it and now there are sixteen. Thank God.

Brother Luther Key conducted a revival here a few months ago and nine received the Holy Ghost. Praise the Lord. There was a mighty outpouring of the Spirit. Everybody seemed to love Brother Key. We also had a six weeks' revival conducted by Brother S. T. Luke which closed March 17. Two received the Holy Ghost, one was saved and sanctified. The Lord blessed in every service. We all love Brother Luke and his family. The Lord blessed in a mighty way. Praise God.

We have an L.W.W.B. and through it we have bought lumber and built a tabernacle and new benches. We have a good Sunday School and Y.P.E.

Please hold me up in prayer before the Lord that I will always let my light shine. I want to be an overcomer and soul winner.—Mrs. Leela Boone.

Looking Forward To That Glad Day

FERRELLSBURG, W. Va. — Dear Evangel Readers: I praise God for victory over sin and the devil. I praise Him because the Holy Ghost still abides in my soul. Bless His name. When we come to the place where we think we can't go any farther He is always ready to help us. When the trying times come I always look to Jesus for help. He never fails me. Bless His name!

I also thank the Lord for our good pastor and his humble little family. We have Brother R. B. Underwood for our pastor this year. We all love him very much; we believe he is a real man of God. We mean to do our best for him in our weak way. We are a small church but we mean to stand by our pastor and be workers together for God.

I have been in this good way about seventeen years and the way grows brighter and the trials and tests harder, but I have always found His grace sufficient. I am looking forward to that glad day when I can walk up and down those gold-paved streets of glory and shout His praises forevermore.

I desire the prayers of all God's people.—Mrs. Junie Carver.



Foreign Missions



ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

MISSION BOARD SECRETARY TELLS OF TRIP TO HAITI

It is impossible for me to do justice to a description of my trip to Haiti. The great religion enthusiasm and high qualities which the native converts possessed were far beyond my expectations.

My first contact with them was with a group of seventeen Bible students who were working in the yard as I entered the school. They were making preparations for the convention. As I stepped up, they all stood erect and greeted me. I could not understand their language, but one could readily see that beneath the surface was a big heart aglow with the love of God. A few months before, these boys were in darkness and sin, but now have put on the "new robe within and without," and stood there neatly dressed with a happy expression on their faces. If nothing else had been accomplished in Haiti by the Church of God and the efforts of Brother and Sister Kluzit, this alone would have been worthwhile. But this is only a "drop in the bucket."

We next stepped across the street to the orphanage where the little homeless tots have been taken in by the Church of God and are being trained for God and right. One's heart could not help being touched by the smiles of these very small children who a little later gave me a grand reception and welcome. Many of them sang songs and made speeches of welcome in English.

The next day, Saturday, April 13, was the first day of the convention for the Petion-Ville and Port-au-Prince districts. At night there was a service at which hundreds gathered to sing, pray and praise the Lord. Many who had come in from the more distant churches stayed up all night to pray and sing in the church. Those who were more tired out from their long march in the blazing sun slept in chairs, benches, and on the cement floor.

The service started early Sunday morning with a double wedding of people who had been living together and had now become Christians and felt that they should be legally married. Then ninety-three were baptized. Because of the scarcity of water, all the water had to be carried in buckets until a pool could be filled deep enough to baptize. This

service was followed by the reception of members into the Church. There were so many present and the place was so crowded that those uniting with the church marched by in a long line while Brother and Sister Kluzit, Brother Favre, Pastors Deshommes, Mathurin, and Justin, and myself stood in front to give them the right hand of fellowship. These members were not people who had just been saved in a revival and will not be heard of any more, but they were converts who for months had been wanting to come into the Church and had been proving themselves worthy. Some of them had been waiting for two years. A young man who is the native assistant in the Bible School, Brother Remus, was then ordained to the ministry, after which the churches gave their reports.

According to the reports, most of the members have been filled with the Holy Ghost. The church at Bizoton, of fifty-five members, have all received the Holy Ghost. There are more than three times as many members now as last year, with more than eight hundred waiting to come into the Church. During all the services there were several faithful sisters who had been preparing the dinner for this big gathering. Two hundred and twenty-five pounds of rice and beans had been cooked on open fires in four ten-gallon kettles, besides a number of smaller ones. And yet this is only one district and not the largest one in Haiti. I will not take time to go into details about the many services, but we were in a service nearly every day and night. The services were always well attended and full of life, with people being baptized with the Holy Ghost. At different places we stopped for baptismal services and to receive members into the Church. At one place only four had passed the examination out of a group of thirty candidates, which will show you how careful they are to keep the Church clean. If the others will live sanctified lives for a few months and thus prove that they are newly born then they can be admitted.

Brother and Sister Kluzit are very competent, efficient and enthusiastic workers. I do not believe that we could find better workers anywhere. They are willing to sacrifice and suffer for the salvation of the lost of Haiti. At the pres-

ent time one of their greatest needs is a car. It is impossible for them to carry on without one. When they returned from the Assembly it cost them \$80.00 to get their old car repaired. Just before I came they had it checked to see that it was in shape to go to the various conventions and to the Dominican Republic. The second day out, when we were only twenty-five miles out from our most distant convention, one tire was down and both front springs broken, and there was only one small garage within two hundred miles. It took three days to get the car fixed. However, we hired another car and went on. Just as we were starting back, the axle of this car broke so that we were held up all day. Only twenty miles from our own car, but more than a two-hour drive, which will give you some idea of the conditions of the roads.

We reached our car late Thursday evening, but had missed the appointment at another scheduled mission. The next morning we went to LaBorde, a new mission where they only have the building partly finished, but where a large crowd was awaiting us. Most of them had been waiting for two hours and many of them for three hours before our arrival. More than two hundred had been converted in the last few months. Now the building has become too small even before they could get it finished.

Friday night, April 19, began the Cayes convention. Hundreds came. Thirty-nine couples were legally married so they could be united with the Church. One hundred and sixty-five were baptized in water and came into the Church. Each one of them was examined and questioned and had to have witnesses to testify that they had lived sanctified lives since their conversion. A special meeting was held for the ministry where special instructions were given and then the appointments made.

We started for home just after noon-time Sunday, expecting to get in late Sunday night and leave early Monday for the Dominican Republic where Brother Sylvestre is anxiously awaiting us. We had only been going about an hour on our way from Cayes, when an axle broke on Brother Kluzit's car. This is Wednes-

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LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy

"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," Matt. 24:32.

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

Testimony was brought out before the Dies Congressional Committee investigating un-American activities that the communists had control of various labor organizations in the United States and that their operatives were in key and strategic positions throughout the United States. Also that the radio and wireless operatives on several of our huge liners were under the directions of Moscow, Russia. It was also shown that many of our unions were honeycombed with communist agitators. This makes unpleasant reading but is nevertheless true. REDBOOK Magazine and LIBERTY have heretofore pointed out their growing influence and their placing of their minions in places where great damage can be wrought. Let Americans look well to their liberty. LET CHRISTIANS LOOK TO THEIR GOD.

The headlines of the war in Norway are not encouraging. They bring sad reports of the failure of the Allies to stop the marching Nazi juggernaut. Desperate as they may strive, the Germans are outmaneuvering and outwitting the Allies at every turn. Sweden is between the frying pan and the fire. England and France have proven their inability to save Norway and Denmark, and the Swedes are afraid to trust their welfare in Allied hands. Well, they failed Poland; they failed Czechoslovakia; they failed Austria; they failed Albania; they failed Finland. They are making a fight to save Norway, but I fear their efforts are too slow and too late.

The Associated Press of April 24: "Los Angeles, Calif.—Earth shocks were felt today at Redondo Beach and Hermosa Beach on the Pacific waterfront and also at Hawthorne, midway inland toward Los Angeles. No damage was reported." The startling frequency of these quakes and shocks should serve to arouse people from their lethargic condition.

The typical American girl, according to NEWSWEEK, was portrayed last week at the National Convention of the YWCA: She likes to dance, talk and go to shows. Every day she reads the newspapers, turning first to the comics, then to the front page. Though a regular

"churchgoer" she finds religion "unreal." She doesn't understand how "want can exist in a land of plenty." Well, it is nothing new that she finds religion "unreal." The milk and water variety so often preached today is about as stable as branch water. So few of the modern girls find their way to a holiness church, and if they did, would consider us emotionally unsound.

The General Conference of the United Methodist Church, meeting for its first session as a united body at Atlantic City, N. J., had the following to say: "We must be more concerned about the plight of the share-cropper, the homelessness of the migrants, the plight of those in distress in the dust bowl, the insecurity of the tenants, the millions of youth banked up in town and country communities without jobs and WITHOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING THEMSELVES IN HOMES AND LIVING NORMAL LIVES." Note this terrific indictment against American Society: "THE UNITED STATES HAS AN ACTIVE CRIMINAL POPULATION OF 4,750,000. Half of these ARE LESS THAN 21 YEARS OLD. With many debauching influences at work and 15,000,000 young people not belonging to any organized religion, the seriousness of the situation should be appallingly apparent." Please note this also: "The Mission Board said that THE DANGER OF A PROGRESSIVE PAGANISM WAS AN ACTUALITY RATHER THAN A FANCIFUL FEAR. THE CHRISTIAN CONSTITUENCY OF AMERICA MUST WAKE UP." Their concern for the youth of America is commendable. Their concern anent our drifting into paganism is also noteworthy. However, if they hope to change the habits and characters of the people THEY MUST HAVE SOMETHING MORE THAN MERE FORM AND CEREMONY. IT TAKES THE APPLICATION OF THE BLOOD TO DO THE JOB. THEY USED TO PREACH IT.

A distinguished U. S. Senator made the following statement on the floor of the Senate at Washington a few days ago: "Mr. President, we are coming to the point when I do not know whether I am

at liberty to go out of here and walk down the street unless I get a license to do it. We are just sitting here and allowing bureaus and government agents to gerrymander us to a point where an American citizen does not know whether he is free or not." The above statement by Hon. Ellison D. Smith of South Carolina just about pictures the present-day situation. Worse things are coming. Be ready for them.

LIFE magazine for April 29 carries one of the most gruesome pictures I have ever seen. They presented a picture smuggled from German-controlled Poland, showing three men on a "gallows on wheels." This gruesome sight was rolled through the streets of Warsaw, Poland, to indicate the fate that awaited all those who resisted the German Empire in her subjugation of conquered territories. Such barbaric cruelty, says some, belongs to the dark ages. Cruelty belongs to the devil and his spirit is running rampant in the land today.

COSMOPOLITAN magazine quotes the distinguished writer, Louis Bromfield, as saying: "During the past year I have travelled about 25,000 miles in the United States, and a good deal of what I saw was alarming, some of it terrifying. I saw thousands of workers, their pride crushed, their stomachs half empty, their children anemic and thin. I saw ten-thousand-acre farms of wheat and corn where there was no garden and not a fruit tree. I saw thousands of half-starved migratory workers living in jalopies and tents. I saw once proud people standing in long lines to accept charity. In those 25,000 miles spent in travelling through the richest country in the world I saw millions of acres of fertile land and every where evidence of wealth. But I saw also labor unrest and hunger. And almost nowhere did I see security among the rich or the poor and NOWHERE DID I SEE HAPPINESS." Stand on the streets of your city or village today and notice the countenances of the men and women whom you will meet. The old time, care-free spirit of joviality is gone. In its stead there is a hangdog of abject despair. JUST ANOTHER LEAF ON GOD'S FIG TREE.

NOTES

From My Letters

J. H. Walker, General Overseer

"God is blessing us in our work. We have bought two tents, one for West Frankfort District and one for the State. We are planning to pitch our state tent in the City of Decatur. We also have four or five missions opened up. We have one new mission in Chicago. Just received a letter from Brother White of Carmi and he states that God is wonderfully blessing their services, six more united with the Church of God Sunday night. That makes them thirty-two since the Assembly. They will have to enlarge their church building. Also just received word from Clinton stating that they received nine new members into the Church Sunday.

"Some of the churches have caught the building spirit. Benton is remodeling their church and parsonage, and will have the church ready for the state convention. Creal Springs is also building a new church. Granite City will soon be ready to worship in their new concrete church. Maplewood is also building a concrete church and parsonage combined. Olney has also bought a new parsonage, \$1,850.00, furnishing it with new furniture."

"We like to let you know the good things that God is doing for us, and don't mean to brag.

"Pray for us.—Your brother in the Master's service, H. O. Harris, Overseer of Illinois."

"We are in one of the greatest revivals I have been in in a long time. Last evening was the greatest service I believe I have ever witnessed. There were four saved, three sanctified and one baptized with the Holy Ghost. Two of these were Baptist ministers, they were both sanctified last evening and one received the Holy Ghost. You talk about a revival, we are having one. The interest is increasing every night. Pray, pray for us.—Your brother in Christ, H. C. Peek."

"A little church by the name of Verda, Kentucky, has a membership of eleven and last month they had 570 in Sunday School, which is fifty-two in Sunday School for every member in the church. There is another church within two miles of it and it had 340 in it."

This news comes from our State Sunday School and Y.P.E. Superintendent of Kentucky, Brother Cecil Bridges.

"I thought I would write to you and let you know some of the good things that are being done here for the Lord. We have closed a very successful district con-

vention here on the Schoolfield district. We have put a good addition on our Church, since we have been here, raised our building, put Sunday School rooms under it, repaired the parsonage and painted it inside and out. We organized our Willing Workers since we have been here. They have made an average of \$76.00 per month. Brother Johnson is liked by everybody, but with all the good things we have a need of help. We are closing a deal for a large tabernacle in Danville which is an adjoining town to Schoolfield. It will seat about twelve hundred, has twelve Sunday School rooms, and a new heating system. It cost fifteen hundred dollars. We wonder if you know some good evangelist that you could send us in about two weeks."—E. O. Sells, Schoolfield, Virginia.

Convention

We just want to report a glorious victory for the annual convention of the Huntington District held at Huntington, W. Va., April 12-14. According to those who have been in attendance at our conventions year after year, this was the most outstanding convention ever held in the Huntington church. Rev. M. P. Cross, state overseer, presided, ably assisted by Rev. D. B. Hatfield, district overseer and pastor of the Huntington church. Rev. Cross delivered a wonderful sermon on the opening night, using as his subject "Conscience—Record—God!" Its uniqueness made it all the more wonderful. All the other speakers were at their very best, but the outstanding sermon of the convention was one delivered by Rev. S. B. McCane of Mallory, W. Va., who spoke on "The Godhead." This was outstanding most, perhaps, because of its particular need in this locality, and those who heard him were agreed that he preached under a special anointing that night.

Along musical lines, the outstanding feature of the occasion was the visit of the Bannister brothers of Delbarton, W. Va. Huntington churches, in general, are noted for bringing many renowned singers to our community, but the Church of God made a mark for itself this time in offering to the public these two who rank with the best! And while we are reporting the fine spiritual features of the convention, we must not forget the financial side. We more than doubled our mission offering of last year, and trebled our offering to the state overseer, so Huntington District can report progress both spiritually and financially! —Mrs. Lindsay C. Davis, clerk.

Happy Serving the Lord

KEYSVILLE, Ala. — Praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I am thankful to

say that I am happy serving the Lord day by day and glad to know that we have a Savior who can save souls and keep us from day to day. It was one night six months ago when I found the Lord Jesus; He came down and touched my soul and gave me a salvation which I am not ashamed of. Glory to His name! —Sister E. B. Eggleston.

God Has Healed Baby the Doctors Gave Up

SHAW, Miss.—I praise the Lord for victory over sin and the devil. I have been in this way for about sixteen years and I'm not tired of it but want to live closer to Him from day to day. It seems I have more to praise the Lord for than anybody. My baby has been sick with epileptic fits ever since he was three months old. We have done everything we know to do for him. I sent off for prayer last May for him and he began to get better from then on. I carried him to church and had the saints to pray for him. The Lord surely blessed. He didn't know how to eat or drink water; until then he couldn't sit up, but thank the Lord he began to eat and drink water and sat up some now. He is two years and three months old. It has been a long time since he has had any spells. It will soon be a year since he had a real bad one. He used to have them every day and night. The doctors said he wouldn't live to be six months old, but praise God, he is still with us. I really feel like the Lord has already healed him. People are surprised to know that he is doing as well as he is. Everyone pray for him that he will learn to walk.—Mrs. Velma Crocker.

IMMOKALEE, Fla.—I am trusting my blessed Savior with my soul and body. Not so many nights ago I promised the Lord if He would heal my head I would testify of it. My head hurt me so much I thought for a while that it was about the end. There wasn't anyone that I knew of within forty miles who had the Holy Ghost except my little ten-year-old girl, so I just began praying for the Lord to heal me and, praise the dear Lord, I was easy in a few minutes. He has healed us many times of different things.—Lydia Walker.

Greatly Relieved

WOLVERTON, Minn.—Praise God for answering prayer. Thanks for the anointed cloths and thanks for the saints who prayed for us at Ryder, N. Dak. My husband is much better; he is able to help himself. He was helpless, couldn't undress himself. His hand was all swollen and stiff and his feet were swollen; he couldn't wear his shoes and we have had to help him at the table with his food, but now he is much better. We surely thank the Lord for it.—Mrs. J. L. S.

Reports From the Field

McMinnville, Tenn., Dist. Conv'n.

The McMinnville, Tenn. district convention convened at McMinnville April 5-7. Brother E. J. Boehmer, General Secretary and Treasurer, and Brother J. C. Jernigan, state overseer, were with us.

Those taking part on the program were: Johnny Yates, J. W. Shaw, Brother Brazell, E. J. Boehmer, J. C. Jernigan, Brother Hastings and party.

The messages and special singing were surely enjoyed. A \$26.10 offering for the orphanage was taken, also a mission offering of \$35.30.

There were approximately two hundred delegates and visitors present. Dinner was served by our Willing Workers, which was certainly enjoyed. After the reports of the churches the convention was dismissed.

The pastor brought the message here Sunday night to a large congregation. God has made this Assembly year great for the church. We have had two revivals, received seventeen new members and are seating our church with fine new oak seats. We have raised the aged ministers' fund, taken good care of our evangelists and have some money in every treasury in the church. Some of our members made the pastor a present of a fine suit, also his wife a nice spring coat and dresses. Pray for the church that God will continue to lead and give victory.—J. W. Shaw, pastor.

The convention of the New District convened at Manchester April 5-7. The presence of the Lord was felt from the very first service.

Those taking part on the program were Brothers Henry Robertson, Cecil Bridges, J. C. McClendon, B. L. Hicks, Happy Tom Brooks and others.

Brother Bridges, our Sunday School and Y.P.E. superintendent, is doing a wonderful work in Kentucky and we are all proud of him. Our Y.P.E.'s are growing by leaps and bounds.

Saturday evening service was spiced with all the preachers preaching ten minutes each. Special attention was given to the Sunday School. Our Sunday Schools are growing but we want them even larger. Brother Hicks brought a message on "Missions," which was followed by a special mission offering of \$67.34. All the preachers on this district are working and we mean to be a blessing by the help of the Lord.—J. C. McClendon, convention clerk, Rt. 2, Crab Orchard, Ky.

Schoolfield, Va., Dist. Convention

The Schoolfield district convention convened at the Church of God at Newtown, Schoolfield, Va., April 5-7, Brother W. E. Johnson, state overseer, and Brother E. O. Sells, district overseer, in charge.

The following speakers were on the program during the convention: Brothers E. O. Sells and W. E. Johnson, Sisters E. O. Sells and Bessie Puckett.

The state overseer's advice to the ministers was a great blessing to all. The mission spirit seems to prevail very much since Sister Florence Kinsley held a revival here in February. The Y.P.E. service was very interesting. Sunday night after the message an opportunity was given for membership and five were added to the church. The state overseer brought the closing message which was enjoyed by all.

We had to make an addition to our church and then it was filled to capacity. The churches on the Schoolfield district appreciate Brother Johnson very much; we believe him to be a very godly young man. We also appreciate Brother and Sister Sells here at Schoolfield.—H. M. Burchette and wife, 50 Lee Ave.

The Lawton district convention convened at Lawton, Okla., March 29-31. The presence of the Lord was felt throughout the convention.

Those taking part on the program during the convention were: Electra girls' quartet, Electra male quartet, Brother and Sister Wood.

Many expressed that this was the best

convention they were ever in. The different messages and special singing were enjoyed by all. May we all be faithful and true here so that we will be able to gain heaven. Saturday night the altar was filled, some praying through to great blessings. Brother Wood stressed the great need of supporting the missionaries. A good dinner was enjoyed at noon. The reports showed a good increase in all, for which the Lord received the praise. The convention came to a close with everyone present encouraged to press onward. We ask your prayers that we will all hold on to the great unchanging hand of God.—Hazel Pippin, 900 Lee Blvd., Lawton, Okla.

Catlettsburg, Ky., Dist. Convention

The Catlettsburg district convention convened at Catlettsburg, Ky., March 29-31, under the direction of B. L. Hicks, state overseer, and ably assisted by our district overseer, W. L. Webb.

This was by far the best district convention ever held on this district. The sweet spirit of fellowship prevailed and the Lord blessed in a wonderful way from the first.

Although the weather hindered in some ways, we had the largest attendance this year that we have ever had. All the churches went over the top with their mission offering, aged ministers' drive, etc. The mission offering was \$63.08.

Brother and Sister Bridges were at their post of duty in conducting the Y.P.E. program, and also the singing, during the convention, and were greatly appreciated.

All speakers during the convention seemed to be at their best and God wonderfully anointed them with their messages, especially the message on "Practical Holiness" by Brother Hicks. Pray much that this district will grow by

New Church and Sunday School, Miller Avenue, Detroit, Mich.



leaps and bounds in the will of God.—
W. G. Lighte, convention clerk.

The 16th Annual Colored Assembly of the Church of God at Jack- sonville, Fla., Just as I Saw It

By F. B. BELL

Some of us had thought that our crowd would be smaller because we had a bad season on our farms, but thank God, when we from all parts, North, South, East and West, got together the auditorium was packed with both white and colored and if anyone was there who didn't feel welcome from the first, I am sure that after the welcome address was given by Mrs. Jannie Rolls all brakes were taken off. Then the opening address was given by the pastor, Bishop C. F. Bright. This was just wonderful. Brothers H. Poitier and E. D. Cobb came forth with responses. They talked from the subject "Our Motto Is To Go Forward," and this was wonderful.

On Wednesday, April 17, after our devotion recognition and expression was given by my pastor, Bishop David LaFleur, in behalf of our ex-overseer's work, and it was sweet. Every word that was said was true. How he worked hard to get our work where it is today and how we all love him. Then our overseer, N. S. Marcelle, came forth and gave his annual address. It was just fine and I am proud to say this for Bishop Marcelle, the one who caused me (F. B. Bell) to be in this wonderful way. God, I know, is with Bishop Marcelle in this great work, just to see how everything was carried out and to see how God was in our work. I feel that this year will be a year of great work so let us all pray for our overseer and work with him and God will bless us in our work. We all hated to know at first that we didn't have our Bishop J. H. Curry as overseer but we thank God because He gave us another good one.

To the Church of God everywhere, I always thought that our General Overseer, Bishop J. H. Walker, was a man of God. I don't have to think any more but I can say now that I know he is; the Lord has given us a wonderful man for our General Overseer. He said many good things in this Assembly, but one thing he said that went through me was this, that there is one thing he feared more than all and that was that he might do something that wouldn't be pleasing to the Lord. Oh, those were great words. Oh, that all would keep that fear lest we in some way do something that God wouldn't be pleased with. O God, help me to keep that fear. So many act as if they don't care how they treat their brothers and sisters. May God bless our brothers and sisters with that fear.

Our reports from the states were bet-

ter than we thought. The churches did fine this year. They all, seemingly, did their best, and it was good to see just how our bishops were working together in love. It made me feel happy. We have a nice, clean group of bishops. Thank God for them. And Bishop Curry, although he was ex-overseer, he didn't act as though, while up in Jacksonville, Fla., he didn't care what happened, but his heart is right in the work, and I feel that we should all see the work like that. What I mean is this, this work belongs to God and it is our duty to work in our places together and let God bless our work. It made us feel good to hear Bishop Marcelle say how he loved Bishop Curry and will do anything he can for him and respect him as his father. That is what God wants from all of us.

We had our 6:30 a.m. lecture, special prayer, and healing service and many were blessed and went back happy. Thank God for the way God blessed us in our services. The Sunday School was just fine. Our general superintendent, U. P. Bronson, and his workers, which means all of us Church of God folk, had a most wonderful Sunday School and Y.P.E. convention. The schools did fine in their reports.

The Women's Day was great, Sister Marcelle in charge. And that wonderful lecture by our Sister Oney was good to the last word. The women are doing fine and they have a mind to carry this good work on, so I thank God for them all, and may God ever bless them.

I wish that all of our ministers and members everywhere could have been in this 16th Assembly. We were glad to see our Bishop C. F. Bright getting up again so he can go and do as he would like to for the Church. Bishop Wallace, my district overseer, is also up again. He was at the Assembly. He just not long ago lost his wife, so let's pray for him that his body will be kept strong.

Time won't permit me to tell all I saw and heard, such as spiritual songs and hallelujahs, and don't talk about the shouts!—there were thousands of them, also hearty amens. Brother Crank of Orlando, Fla., and Brother Roberts of the City of Jacksonville, Fla., visited our Assembly. It would do your hearts good to see and hear these men of God, and our good white brothers and sisters, how they all danced under the power of the Holy Ghost. Thanks be to God, I can feel that sweet Holy Ghost right now in my soul.

I desire the prayers of all who read this, that God will bless me in my work.

New Church Established

WOOSTER, Ohio.—A new church was established here on the night of April 28. We opened services here on February

4 and have continued them every night since, up to this time. Services will continue under the direction of Rev. J. B. Wolfe of Pennsylvania, who will preach each night as long as God wills. The writer was assisted throughout these services by Evangelist Bertha Burkette, who did most of the preaching. God blessed their efforts with souls. Evangelist Doris Miller played the piano throughout most of the services and furnished special accordion musical numbers. A Sunday School was instituted the third Sunday after services were begun, and has been growing each Sunday. Pray that God will add to the Church daily such as should be saved. Anyone passing through this way, who is true Church of God, please pay us a visit. Pray that God so establishes His people here that they will be immovable.—Yours for the Master, Darrell E. Wolfe, pastor.

Marked Tree, Ark., District Conv'n.

The Marked Tree district convention convened at the Church of God, Marked Tree, Ark., beginning April 5 at 7:30 p.m., with the state overseer in charge. We can report the greatest convention ever on the district as this was the one thought expressed by several. Truly God wonderfully blessed. There were some wonderful sermons preached by the following: O. L. Rose, Wilma Henry, B. S. Stanfield, Brother Roseman, B. A. Alford, Everett Wright, H. W. Pugh and Ruff Gentry. All the subjects were efficiently delivered and interesting.

We also had good singing led by Brother Whitt Denson and Brother Bud Taylor. There were solos, duets, trios and quartets with several stringed instruments.

There seemed to be a mission spirit as the outstanding offering proves that \$172.38 was given to missions. Let me say that the people in Arkansas have a mind to send this gospel to all the world. There was an orphanage offering of \$10.00.

Truly the work is great and God is blessing. Our pastors of this district have worked faithfully with the laity and have helped to put over this program and, too, we appreciate our state overseer and family for their labor.—C. C. Rains, district pastor, Box 673, Marked Tree, Ark.

The Sunday School and Y.P.E. of the Harrisburg, Pa., district had a rally on Monday night, April 8, at Carlisle. The attendance was good. Our district superintendent, Sister Jimmie Lou McClure, gave a very good talk which everyone enjoyed. We had other good talks and some special singing by the young people. The district Y.P.E. and Sunday School banners were awarded at the meet-

ing. The Sunday School banner went to the York church, the Y.P.E. banner went to the Carlisle church. Pray for the work on the Harrisburg district.—W. W. Wolford, 400 Second St., High Spire, Pa.

N. Woodville, Mich., Dist. Conv'n.

The North Michigan district convention convened at N. Woodville Church of God April 12-14. All the churches on the district were well represented at each service during the convention. Best of all, that which makes a service of God successful, was the sweet and sacred presence of God. The saints were greatly blessed and encouraged. The various ministers in the district preached some very profitable messages. The state overseer, Brother E. O. Kerce, and family were with us and were a blessing to all. The good sermons of Brother Kerce were very instructive. Brother Kerce preached Sunday morning on missions, which was truly inspired by God, the Holy Ghost was present. Hearts were greatly touched and people were brought to the knowledge of the need of missions at the close of the service and the offering of \$50.43 was taken which made everyone glad to have a part in the great work of missions.

Everyone is looking forward to the state camp meeting in June if Jesus tarries.—Armeline N. Cousineau, Bitely, Mich.

Forest City, Ark., District Convention

The Forrest City district convention convened at Haynes Church of God on April 19-21. We certainly had some wonderful music and singing throughout the convention. We were glad to have Brother and Sister W. M. Johnson and family of South Carolina and Owell Denson of B.T.S. with their good music and singing. A number of inspiring messages were brought from time to time. The speakers were J. A. McCollough, C. C. Rains, P. A. Heaton, W. E. Wright and, last but not least, Brother Henry, with a message on "Missions." The mission offering was \$82.00 and more coming in which will make it reach the \$100.00 mark. Good old Arkansas is becoming mission-minded. A bountiful spread was enjoyed by all at noon, after which came the handshakes and good-byes. Pray for God to bless the Church of God in Arkansas. We feel that we have the best of overseers and he is truly doing a great work for God and His Church in Arkansas. We certainly love and appreciate him and his good wife.—Mrs. P. A. Heaton, 222 N. 2nd St., W. Helena, Ark.

The Somerset district convention convened Friday April 12-14 at Somerset, Ky.

The power and presence of the Holy Ghost was felt throughout the convention. Those who took part in the convention were: Brother B. L. Hicks, Brother L. L. Hughes, Brother G. W. Lane, and family, Lockard sisters of Louisville district, Brother George Cravens, Brother A. W. Hall and others who did good preaching. We also had some wonderful singing and music. Those who furnished the singing were Brother and Sister Watson, Brother and Sister Bridges, quartet from Louisville, quartet from Corbin and also the girls' quartet of Somerset. On Friday night we had our Y.P.E. service with Brother Cecil Bridges, state Y.P.E. and Sunday School superintendent, in charge. Brother and Sister Bridges are doing a wonderful work in Kentucky and also Brother Watson, our state singing school teacher, and wife. We appreciate our state overseer and pastor at Somerset. Pray that the church here will go over the top for Jesus.—Miss Arabelle Brumley, Somerset, Ky.

District Convention in S. Mississippi

The Morgantown district convention convened at Morgantown, Miss. March 29-31. It was one of the greatest ever held in South Mississippi. The Lord blessed in every service.

The following took part on the program: Brothers Dewitt C. Sharpe, Kelly J. Hammond, B. J. Morgan, J. C. Lentz, L. W. Shultz, Arlie Dorman, T. W. Godwin, and J. L. Dorman, state overseer. Brother Arlie Dorman had charge of the Y.P.E. service. Our beloved state overseer, Brother J. L. Dorman, brought a message on "Universal Salvation," followed by a mission offering of \$67.34. A wonderful old time dinner was spread at noon. Sunday afternoon the pastors reported. Our entire staff of ministers visited the convention. God marvelously blessed.—Dewitt C. Sharpe, Morgantown, Miss.

Buhl District Convention

The Buhl, Ala., district convention convened at Buhl church April 12-14 with Brother Chesser in charge. Those on the program were Brothers Hunt, T. G. Pearson, Shumaker, Aultman and H. L. Chesser, state overseer.

One church (Reform) was 100 per cent on quotas and mission money. When the adjournment was made each member felt stronger and encouraged to fight the battle harder.—Maudine Wood, Rt. 1, Reform, Ala.

New Church Building Dedicated at North Portal, Sask.

On Easter Sunday the new church at North Portal, Sask., Canada, dedicated its new building. A capacity crowd was

in attendance. Brother Boatwright, our state overseer, preached the dedication sermon. God blessed in a wonderful way.

The new building is one of the best in all of the Northwest; completely finished on the inside; the ceiling is ivory color and the walls cream, which is beautifully set off by the burgundy drapes which decorate the windows.

At all three of the services on that day there was a packed house and people had to stand at night as there was not room for them to be seated, although the new building is considered to be large for this part of the country. Two young people came to the altar at the night service and claimed salvation after Brother Boatwright had preached a powerful message from the Word of God. We are continuing a revival here with Brother Boatwright doing the preaching and we are expecting the Lord to bless in a wonderful way. Pray for us up here.—J. Andrew Rafferty, district pastor and pastor of North Portal, Lignite, N. Dak.

Enjoyed Our Visit to Minnesota

We just returned from the district convention at Jenkins, Minn., and must say we enjoyed it from the depths of our hearts. We arrived there on Saturday morning with a warm and Christian welcome by all. We attended our first service Saturday afternoon which opened with old-fashioned, full-gospel, holiness singing which seemed to have swung the entire service into the center of God's will. A very encouraging sermon followed by our new Brother D. Sarff who decided to affiliate his talented service with the Church of God. We all extend you a Godspeed welcome, Brother Sarff, and may your fellowship be greatly blessed in our midst.

The convention was wonderfully managed by capable Brother J. J. Kisser, Brother Hess and the entertainment committee. Brother Kisser is doing a fine work in Minnesota, and is working with great zeal to turn every opportunity into sound management and to the uplifting cause of Christ. Also the Opton Trio is doing a fine work in the evangelistic field. Several have received the Holy Ghost in their recent services which was an encouragement to the work at large. We have enjoyed our visit to the State of Minnesota, and may God bless all of them is our prayer.—Brother and Sister R. H. Klaudt.

A Word of Thanks

DAVIS, W. Va.—I wish to thank all who saw my request in the Evangel a couple of months ago for my husband to find work. I thank you for your prayers and praise the Lord for answering. Husband is now working and I am sure it is answer to prayer.—Viola Casady.

REQUESTS

"With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God," Phil. 4:6.

PRAY FOR—

The church at Sylva, N. C.; a very special request.—Sister Calla Stone, Sylva, N. C.

The healing of my lungs.—Cecil Tomlinson, Ada, Okla.

God to heal me of pellagra. — Mrs. Minnie Williams, Nelly, Miss.

The complete healing of my daughter, Mildred Chambles.—Claude E. Chambles, Box 24, Holly Ridge, La.

Me to be healed of T. B. Anointed cloth appreciated.—J. H. Palmer, T. B. Sanitorium, Montgomery, Ala.

My father who is sick with heart trouble; him to receive all the blessings the Lord has for him; my husband, mother, sister and brother to be saved; me; my children.—Mrs. T. C. Dyer, Bloomington Springs, Tenn.

Healing of my eyes and head; my wife and children. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Jess Pilgrim, Edwardsville, Ala.

My healing, I have T. B.—Alice Davis, Rt. 1, Blairsville, Ga.

A lady to be healed of heart dropsy, rheumatism and other ailments; souls to be saved in our prayer meetings; Mrs. Pinkie Taylor, Rt. 2, Nicholls, Ga., to be healed. Encouraging letters and anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. Elmer J. Wolfe, Rt. 2, Nicholls, Ga.

Our little three-year-old boy who has asthma and a bad bronchial trouble; our revival which is to start soon; me and my husband to get closer to the Lord; unspoken request.—Cora Endfinger, Pell City, Ala.

My afflicted body; my loved ones to be saved.—Hugh Clevenger, Rhodhiss, N. C.

My mother who is in a serious condition; me.—Mrs. Maudine Graves, Kings Daughter Hospital, Greenville, Miss.

Me and my children, especially one who is in trouble to be saved.—Mrs. Molly Craze, Foley, Ala.

The healing of my body; an old-fashioned revival in Cambridge, Md.—Mrs. Wm. Harvey, Jr., East New Market, Md.

My mother-in-law, Mrs. A. W. Parrish, to be healed of bladder, kidney and liver trouble; my unsaved loved ones and the healing of my baby.—Mrs. Wilma Parrish, Rt. 2, Uhrichsville, Ohio.

Brother Harry Dingess who has arthritis in both legs; the healing of my body as I have bad liver and stomach trouble; Sister McCay; her girl's healing as she has T. B. of the bone.—Ella Hall, Vulcan, W. Va.

My afflicted body. Letters of encouragement and anointed cloth appreciated. My unsaved children.—Mrs. Nora Hill,

Chickamauga, Ga.

My body as I almost have a nervous breakdown; the souls who are seeking the Lord here.—Sister Emma Newman, c/o Ray C. Bowden, Box 50, S. Orland, Me.

Me to receive the Holy Ghost. Would like to hear from anyone in Warren county, Mississippi, who knows where a Church of God is located in this county.—Mrs. E. J. Windham, Rt. 1, Box 225-B, Vicksburg, Miss.

Mr. Lewis Kovar, Acosta, Pa. to be delivered of an evil spirit. Please pray, visit and write to him. He surely needs prayer.—W. L. Ramsey, Acosta, Pa.

My two brothers to be saved; unspoken request.—Miss Alberta Cooper, Lockhart, S. C.

My hands to be healed of a bad case of eczema.—Mrs. Russell Staten, Cascilla, Miss.

Complete healing of my body; I have an infection on my face and suffer with my feet; my husband and children; our home to be just what God would have it be.—Nancy Hedge, Quin, Mo.

My sister and her family to be saved; my husband and me to get closer to God and do His will.—Nannie Lee Hicks, Judson Rd. 105, Greenville, S. C.

My son, Marcus Guthrie, to be healed.—Mrs. N. W. Guthrie, Townley, Ala.

My healing as I have been in the hospital eleven days; a work to be opened at Marvell.—Mrs. Ruby Barnes, St. Vincent Hospital, Little Rock, Ark.

Our little boy who has the scarlet fever; us to keep from taking it so we can be in the work for our Lord; a sister here who is in deep trouble that she may be relieved and blessed.—Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Ford.

Me to be healed as I have head trouble and my nerves are bad; my father, mother, brother and sister to be saved; my father and mother to be healed.—Mrs. Dona Smallwood, Dyersburg, Tenn.

Three unspoken requests.—Mrs. Ben Ellis, 14 E. Walnut St., Rich Hill, Mo.

M. J. Rodgers' healing as he is in a very serious condition with his back broken three times, also two or three fractured or broken ribs.—J. B. Ellis, Jr., Linden, Fla.

My unsaved husband and son to be saved.—Mrs. J. D. Hudson, Rt. 2, Rydal, Ga.

My body; Sister Fuller to get work here; God to send a revival to Buhl Church of God; the work at Holt and Tuscaloosa; loved ones to be saved.—Sisters Carreker and Fuller, Holt, Ala.

Me to be healed of bronchial, kidney and head troubles. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. Sarah Anderson, Rt. 1, Box 132, Moniac, Ga.

Brother and Sister Raulerson of Baldwin, Fla. to be healed and blessed; one of their daughters at Macclenny, Fla. to be healed and get back to the Lord; all their

unsaved children to be saved.

Me to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost; my husband to be saved; my three boys; my family to see the Church of God and holiness.—Mrs. Charlie Helmandollar, Montcalm, W. Va.

My healing as I have been sick for some time, unable to walk.—Vance Rogers, Rt. 1, Box 264, Hickory, N. C.

My eyes to be healed as I have a cataract and am almost blind. Fast if led.—Minnie Alewine, Townsend St., Anderson, S. C.

Pray that the Lord will help our financial condition in the church as so many are out of work now. Write us as we need to hear from you.—Hattie Richardson, Weir, Kans.

Healing of my body; husband's healing of T. B.; him to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Maggie Christopher, Rt. 1, Box 227, Candler, N. C.

Mrs. James Sudduth to be healed of heart trouble and a nervous condition; unspoken request; healing of my head.—Mrs. Eugene Akin, Box 1653, Hayes Ave., Long Beach, Calif.

My back to be healed; mother and two sisters to be healed; four unspoken requests.—Mrs. Zepher Davis, Rt. 1, Troy, Tenn.

The healing of my body of undown condition; very special unspoken request; healing of my children; healing of my father's stomach; my parents to see light on this good way; husband and I; healing of a sister who has pneumonia; her to re-Goodrum, c/o Mike Simpson, Rt. 1, Selceive the full blessing.—Mrs. Hattie mer, Tenn.

OBITUARIES

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints," Ps. 116:15.

BRANTNER

John Brantner of Williamsburg, Pa., passed away March 29, 1940.—Mrs. C. H. Shaw, Williamsburg, Pa.

NEWCOMER

Brother Harry Lee Newcomer, faithful member of the Church of God, departed this life April 5, 1940, age forty-eight years.—C. H. Shaw, pastor, Williamsburg, Pa.

BLACK

Sister Rosie Bell Black was born June 15, 1885, and died Jan. 31, 1940, at the age of fifty-four years, seven months, and fifteen days. She was a member of the Church of God.

HOWARD

On March 9 the death angel visited the home of Brother A. B. Howard and claimed Sister Lula Howard, his wife, for its victim.—J. L. Guthrie, pastor, Twila, Ky.

Notes of Praise

A Wonderful Day Is Ahead

Dear Brothers, Sisters and Evangel Readers: I am still praising God for salvation full and free and joy unspeakable and full of glory. For some time it seems I have been in the valley of the shadow of death, spiritually. Oh, how the enemy did try me but I held on and kept pleading God's mercies and favor and at church two weeks ago, on Sunday night, God came on the scene and the old tempter had to leave. Oh, hallelujah! How sweet the presence of the Lord is. You know I want to live like I see the Christian or Christlike life. If I were only able to explain it to you. Thank God, thank God. Some of these days if we are true to Jesus and walk in the light as He is in the light we will have a new body. Oh, praise God. What a wonderful day just ahead.

We thank God this morning for the great Church of God. As I look in on the picture of the Publishing House staff as they drop all from their minds and go to prayer each morning, I think of the thousands of brothers and sisters all over the world in prayer to God; no wonder God is blessing the Church. How can we doubt when He tells us in John 14:13, "Whatsoever ye ask in my name, that will I do." Why will He do it? "That the Father may be glorified in the Son." Verse 14 says, "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." That is, if we love Jesus and keep His commandments. I need your prayers. God knows how I spend my little earning and He said if we would pay our tithes that He would stand by us, and I can say of a truth He has proven that in my life.

Please pray for our home; also pray for our good pastor, Brother W. W. Harmon, and family.—A. F. Wilson, 54 Spofford, Wilmington, N. C.

God Spared My Precious Daddy

FYFFE, Ala.—One night my daddy was suffering with his stomach. As my mother didn't think him serious she didn't get up but was just lying there praying for him when she heard him begin to struggle. She got up, called me and lighted the lamp. I ran in there and fell down by the bed. He was as cold as death, his head was wet with cold sweat, his eyes were set, his mouth had dropped open. I thought my darling daddy was gone. I knew God was the only help I had, and what passed between me and my God that night only God knows. I said, "O God, we have trusted you and in death you can't leave us. Please, precious God, spare my sweet daddy a little

longer, just a little longer." I promised Him I would live closer to Him. How long I prayed I do not know, but as I raised my head he was in the same position as he was. I said, "Daddy, look at me," and those eyes that had set (I don't know how long) turned and looked at me. Oh, the praise and rejoicing in my soul tongue cannot tell. Oh, glory and honor to Him who can give life. When daddy got to where he could talk he said he knew he felt death on him, but praise the Lord, God spared him and he is up now. Thank the Lord.

He has also healed me of head and stomach trouble. Praise His name forever. Please remember me when you go before the throne of God in prayer. I want to do what my hands find to do in serving my great King. Pray for me.—Marie Hammond.

BRADLEY, Miss.—We had our homecoming day March 31 at Mars Hill church, which was a real feast day for our souls. Our hearts rejoiced as we saw the saints come in from neighboring churches, some from quite a distance. It reminded us of that great homecoming in the skies. We had some good congregational songs which thrilled our souls, then some good specials by Brother and Sister Marion Kennedy and Brother Wright, also Brother and Sister Grady May and two daughters. Waves of glory came down which brought shouting and dancing under the mighty power of God. Our district pastor, Brother Sam Webb, brought the message, which was enjoyed. An offering was taken which made our church go over the top with her quota, which was \$28.00.

A bountiful dinner was spread which everybody enjoyed. After dinner we gathered back to hear some more good singing and testimonies. Among the visiting ministers was Brother Sandlin, our neighboring Assembly of God preacher, who gave a wonderful testimony which all enjoyed so much. He, his wife and children sang two specials which we enjoyed. After the May quartet sang we were dismissed.

We surely appreciate our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Kimbrough. They are a blessing to the church here. Since coming here they have organized the Y.P.E. After the young people were organized they set their plans to have the church wired and they did it; now we have electric lights. The Lord is blessing every department of the church under Brother and Sister Kimbrough's lead-

ership.—Mollie Walker, Rt. 2, Box 127, Starkville, Miss.

BARTOW, Fla.—We are glad for full and free salvation. I appreciate my good pastor, Brother John W. Allen, and his family who have been a blessing to the church here. Brother Allen has built a nice parsonage here. He lives an upright life, stands for the teachings of the church, and lifts the banner of Jesus to a lost world. Many good things have been accomplished during his year and a half here. Pray for an old time revival here.—Sister Idena Blackburn, 855 Vine St.

Fellowship Meeting

The Clayton, Ga., district fellowship meeting was held at the Clayton church March 31 with Brother J. F. Brown in charge, assisted by the pastors from the district, also many of our brothers and sisters from other places. A wonderful time was had, with the Spirit of the Lord prevailing throughout the day. Quite often we were favored with special music and singing by the Carolina Buddies, Rogers, Taylor and Dayton sisters. We had an old time Church of God fellowship meeting. Each church on the district appreciates having Brother Brown as the district pastor. Our plans are to put this district over the top. By the help of the Lord we can make it one of the best. Come on, members, let's stand by Bro. Brown with our prayers. We are in a revival here at Clayton. Pray that we will be a blessing and help to lost souls.—Geneva Dayton, Clayton, Ga.

The Days of Miracles Are Not Over

SAMPSON, Ky.—Just a note of praise in thanksgiving for a miraculous healing which was performed on my little boy last March by the Lord. When I brought him to a healing service conducted by Evangelist Waldon Asher he was afflicted with infantile paralysis. He had been examined by doctors; his neck was stiff and when he would look around he would have to turn his whole body and his chin was drawn down on his breast; his mouth was drawn in a horrible condition. He was about ten years old when healed and is perfectly normal now. I was a sinner when I came to that healing service that day, but when I heard this man and saw the mighty power of God falling on the people I knew it was real. When he laid hands on my boy and his head moved and I saw he was healed I gave my heart to Jesus and received the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues in that service. I am not a member of the Church of God but I know the Church is right and I hope to be a member. Everybody doubting this statement can come to this ad-

dress and get the doctor's statement and see the boy.—Mrs. Jencie Daniels.

Never Intend to Stray Any More

FLORENCE, Ala.—I thank the dear Lord for answering prayer. My little four-year-old boy was sick with the flu and bronchitis; he just lay burning up with fever. We called a doctor to see him, but he grew worse. So in a day or two after the doctor's visit I decided there was higher power. I fell on my knees by the bedside and cried out to God to heal my baby. Thank God, he was better before I went to bed. This has brought me closer to the Lord with a sincere determination to seek the blessed Comforter, the Holy Ghost, and never stray. I sincerely desire the prayers of all the dear saints, for if anyone ever needed prayer it is I in this trying time.—Mae Belle Johnson, Star Rt. 5.

We Need a Church of God in Our Community

MARSHALL, N. C.—Dear friends everywhere: I request prayer from every one of you as I am a believer of the old time, Pentecostal way. I know that heaven is a beautiful place and no sin can enter there, that we absolutely must have our robes pure and white, washed in the blood of the Lamb, if we have any hope of reaching that place. I am not a member of your great Church but I love all God's people and want them to pray for me. I know some of them have prayed and are praying for me. Once when I had been sick so long with an internal hemorrhage or something of the kind, I wrote to your Headquarters and got the address of one of your pastors, Brother B. J. Hillhouse, of Biltmore, N. C. He and his wife, Sister Chambers and another sister came all the way from Biltmore just to pray for me! I had also written Brother and Sister Little of Washington, N. C., for prayer along while I was so ill. I want to say that through God's mercy and the prayers of these people I was healed, for I never had such trouble any more until recently. The trouble seems to have come back. That was two years ago when they prayed for me. Also my hearing which was bad at that time was getting better. It had been good for two or three months of late and I had hopes that I had gotten victory over it but this spell of sickness, which has attacked me again, has caused all the trouble to arise again in my head and is making it difficult to hear. Also my nerves are in a bad condition. Please, won't you saints all pray earnestly for me that God will touch me? I have promised God that if He would restore my hearing and health to me I would join His Church and give Him my life's service.

I have already completed a Bible Study Course from B.T.S. through correspond-

ence. There is no Church of God in this community, but how I wish there were! I would like to subscribe for your paper but am unemployed and can't attempt it now. I appreciate every prayer that was sent up in my behalf once before by your people and want to thank them all. I have not received the baptism of the Holy Ghost but I'm still looking to God for Him. Everybody pray, for unless God undertakes I'll go down in defeat. I so want to gain the victory because unbelievers are watching. I hope God will send someone here with a tent to hold a revival.—Miss Orla Lewis, Rt. 2, Box 165-A.

SUN, W. Va.—Dear Saints, I desire your prayers. I am a poor soul, down in body, weak in spirit, and fully in need of prayer for power to lift me up and make me stronger in faith for both soul and body. I have been a member of the dear Church of God for fifteen years. For the last six years I haven't been able to get to where the saints of God are very much, for the place I live is far from the church. I have to walk there or catch a ride. I am fifty-one years old and I am not able to attend services much, also I am living on the relief and I don't have money to pay fare, so it is impossible for me to attend. But I am thankful to say I still have God in my heart and am still trying to live as close to Him as I know how. I have the sweet Holy Ghost abiding in my heart and I feel more like going on with God, regardless of all that I have to bear. I feel so lonely as I had to give my dear mother up the seventh of last month, but I am thankful to know she is resting in the arms of Jesus, waiting for me. Praise His dear name. She was eighty-seven years, nine months and ten days old and lived a Christian life for years, in the holiness way.

Pray that I will hold to God's unchanging hand and that He will open some way for me to be in Sunday School and services. My husband is unsaved and he is feeble and unable to take care of himself. I've been reading a Church of God paper which does my soul good. I read them over and over again and I never get tired of them. I find something good and new every time I read them over. Also my husband reads them. I am not able to get them often. I want the book, "Five Christians Contrasted With the Infidel" for my husband and would be pleased to get some old papers to read which some of the saints have already read. I surely love the Church of God. Write me as I like to hear from the dear saints. It would help me to press on with faith in the Lord as my faith is weak and I am starving for the Word of God. Pray for the healing of my body—Virginia Cadle, Glen Jean, W. Va.

A Wonderful Time

SWITZER, W. Va.—I thank the Lord for victory in my soul, for His overcoming power and the way He takes care of His own. We are having a wonderful time here; the Lord is really blessing His people. Brother W. L. Holton of Missouri gave us a week's meeting while here on his vacation and how the Lord did bless. Four prayed through to the Holy Ghost. There have already been thirteen added to the church and we are now in a week's meeting with a different preacher each night. We are looking forward to our revival in the very near future with Brother H. L. Marcum in charge. The Lord has blessed us with a wonderful pastor, a real man of God, Brother James W. Vance. He and his good wife are really putting forth every effort for the Lord. We are having a fine Sunday School and Y.P.E. We now have the state Sunday School banner and district Sunday School banner, also an L.W.W.B. that can't be beat. Remember us in prayer.—Vern Borders.

Great Success

MOUNT HOPE, W. Va.—We just closed a revival at Farley Hill on the Winding Gulf district. We surely got hold of the key to the kingdom. Praise the Lord. He was with us in everything; He just came down in such a wonderful way it was marvelous. There were thirty-one saved, fifteen sanctified and eleven baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. God is still working. Fifteen were baptized in water and fourteen added to the Church of God. Praise His good name. We had coworkers from Jonben and our musician was from Alabama. Brother and Sister Bond Murphy also helped in the revival.

I am the blind evangelist. I am open for a revival at present and would be glad to work for my Lord.—L. N. Atkinson, Box 18, Elverton, W. Va.

ARCADIA Fla.—We are glad to report victory in Jesus' name at Arcadia, Fla. Our revival started Feb. 25 and lasted four week. The old time, power-filled gospel was preached by Brother I. H. Marks, the gospel that stirred up the pure minds of the saints and brought sinners to repentance. Words cannot tell the good the revival did the Church of God at Arcadia. Many who were growing cold and indifferent were set on fire for the Lord again. Brother Marks did not shun to declare the full gospel and we who accepted it loved him. The power fell from time to time. Messages were given in other tongues and the interpretations given. Many were healed in the name of the Lord.

God gave us eight saved, three sanctified, and two filled with the Holy Ghost.

Seven were baptized in water and seven added to the church. Our pastor, Brother P. W. Chesser, and his wife worked faithfully with Brother Marks to make the revival a success and when it closed love for the brethren predominated in our hearts.—C. Lester, clerk.

Praise God For Holy Ghost Religion

ARCADELPHIA, Ala.—I praise God for victory through the blood of Jesus my Savior and the Church of God that Jesus purchased with His own blood. Oh glory, it means so much to me this morning. Thank the Lord.

I thank God for our good pastor and family, Brother Louie Tackett. He really preaches the Bible in its fulness. Thank God.

I thank the Lord for the blessings we received during the short stay of our district pastor, Brother Ivy S. Crumpton. He preached from a chart on Revelation and the Lord wonderfully blessed our souls. Praise God for old time, Holy Ghost religion, something we can feel and enjoy. Hallelujah. I am feeling good. Please pray for us here at Bethel.—Henry Wiley, clerk.

Real Victory

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio—I am glad to report real victory over the devil tonight, Feb. 17. It was about 1:00 a.m. I received the good Holy Ghost tonight at service. I've tried to sleep but I'm just so happy I can't. I sought the Holy Ghost for about eight years, but praise God I received Him tonight. I've been more than paid for holding on to God, so dear reader, if you have been seeking the Holy Ghost for years, don't give up, for it is for you and you will be paid for all you have to do to get it.

Brother J. L. Yates is holding a revival for us and God has wonderfully blessed his efforts.—Wade Powers, 314 Charles Street.

Healed by Laying On Evangel

CAROLEEN, N. C.—Praise God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost about six years ago and He still abides. I belong to the Church of God. I praise God for giving me faith to trust my body with Him; He has healed me so many times. I have been down with poisoned kidneys about three days and couldn't straighten my back but when I laid the Evangel on my body in Jesus' name I was healed.—Mrs. Roy Vess.

Healed of Paralysis

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Just a few words of praise to the Lord for the way He has healed in our home. For the last few months I had been bothered with my heart; it seemed I wasn't able to get vic-

tory, but last evening while I was praying I asked God to remove that, which He did instantly. I surely praise Him for it. I feel that God has healed me completely. Just a while back our baby took seriously ill with something like infantile paralysis; the right side of her face was paralyzed, but after praying quite a while God came on the scene and touched her body, for which He has all the praise.—Mrs. Lee Holdman, 4333 Hunt Ave.

I Intend to Live For Jesus

TRENTON, Ga.—I praise my Savior for what He is to me even though I haven't lived for Him as I should. I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would live for Him. Now I can't praise my Savior enough for what He means to me. Pray for me that I will live for my Jesus and do what He wants me to do.

I am determined to go through regardless of what the cost may be. He is a healer of all diseases and a helper in time of need. I am determined to trust Him. Surely His coming can't be long and if I know myself I want to be ready to go when He comes or calls.

Please pray a special prayer for my husband. Pray for my lost brother and sisters to be saved and not only for them but for many more who are going the downward way, and pray that the Lord will give me greater faith to trust Him. I have stomach trouble but I know Jesus is a healer so I am looking to Him.—Lorene Cowart.

He Healed My Children

STATE ROAD, N. C.—I truly praise the Lord for His healing power. He healed my little boy when he was strangled with kerosene, and I praise Him for healing our children of something like flu. Two of them had risings in their heads, but the Lord has healed them and they are all up, but one of the little boys is not strong enough to walk yet. We covet your prayers.—Mrs. Vallie Layell.

MISSION PAGE

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day night and he is still on the road trying to get it repaired—he has been there now since Sunday afternoon. Sister Kluzit secured a way and got home Tuesday afternoon.

I wonder if there is not someone who has some money that he would like to contribute toward a new car for Brother and Sister Kluzit. If two hundred people would give five dollars each, it would almost pay for one, including the transportation from the States and the expenses of getting it into Haiti.

Brother Kluzit will have to go to the Dominican Republic at a later date to

hold a convention there. We still have other district conventions to attend here in Haiti for next week. At the places where we held conventions, the people came from miles around. Hundreds walked twenty-five miles or more. Two ministers walked two and a half days from our most distant missions to Cayes, as there is no other way of getting there. One hundred and forty-four members from one church alone came thirty miles over the mountainous trails. Not an auto was present except that of Brother Kluzit. There were no carts nor wagons. Everybody walked or came on horses, mules or donkeys. When we will have finished all our baptismal services, we will have baptized in water almost 400 converts. No doubt some of you have wondered if so many really did get saved. I might answer by asking you if you think that they would walk that far if they were not.—Zeno C. Tharp.

WHY FOREIGN MISSIONS?

By Earl A. Cripps

There are tens of thousands of people living within sight of Calvary who never heard of Jesus. Of course, this is largely due to Mohammedanism which began in the sixth century and was revived again in the thirteenth by the Ottoman Turks. But what if the Church, beginning at Jerusalem, had not sent missionaries to Samaria, Judea, and the uttermost parts of the earth—Europe and America? We would be in as utter darkness as they are. So it is up to the "uttermost parts of the earth" to return the gospel in all its fulness to Palestine and then to the rest of Asia. For Christianity is an Asiatic religion and not European or American and the Hindus, Chinese, Japanese, etc. often say, "If the missionaries were as good as their Book, they would have turned Asia to Christ long ago," meaning, no doubt, that if they had the power and miracles that the early Church had, the heathen would turn from idols to worship the Jesus God for they would know that He whose name made the blind to see, the lame to walk, must have power to forgive sins. The signs following would also answer the query of the Jews, "Is Jesus the Messiah or do we look for another?" the same as it did John the Baptist when he heard that the blind saw, the lame walked and the deaf heard, for they would know that He fulfills the 53rd chapter of Isaiah and is the Messiah.

Let us send missionaries who are filled with the Holy Ghost and who will not shun to declare all the counsel of God so that He might confirm it with the signs following. For we are not only indebted to Jerusalem, the birthplace of Christianity, for having it ourselves, but to the rest of the world to pass it along.